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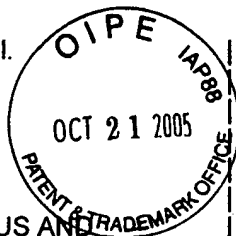
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Enclosed herewith is a Revocation and Power of Attorney in the above-identified patent application.

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